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McKenzie, Susie

Sent:

Tuesday, February 05, 2013 10:11 AM

To:

Johnson, Ken-E

Subject:

Fw: Revised falloff test procedure for Stasta 1

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---- Forwarded by Susie McKenzie/R6/USEPA/US on 02/05/2013 10:10 AM -----

From: To: Charles Lord < C.Lord@occemail.com> Susie McKenzie/R6/USEPA/US@EPA Nancy Dorsey/R6/USEPA/US@EPA

Cc: Date:

02/05/2013 10:01 AM

Subject:

RE: Revised falloff test procedure for Stasta 1

Susie, have you had any experience with this pressure data recorder?

http://www.instrumart.com/products/35359/monarch-instruments-track-it-pressure-temperature-dataloggers

Charles Lord Program Manager UIC Oklahoma Corporation Commission Post Office Box 52000 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152 (405)522-2751 c.lord@occemail.com

From: McKenzie.Susie@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:McKenzie.Susie@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, February 01, 2013 5:31 PM To: Dorsey.Nancy@epamail.epa.gov

Cc: Tim Baker; Charles Lord; Johnson.Ken-E@EPA.GOV; dellinger.philip@epa.gov

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Nancy,

Attached is the revised procedure Ken and I prepared for the Stasta 1 after today's conference call with OCC.

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Martinez, Omar

Sent:

Monday, October 28, 2013 2:21 PM

To:

hillary.young@deq.ok.gov; saba.tahmassebi@deq.ok.gov

Cc:

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Direct: (214) 665-8485 Fax: (214) 665-2191 Martinez.Omar@epa.gov

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Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 1:28 PM **To:** Martinez, Omar; Johnson, Ken-E

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Subject:

RE: Midway Conference Call (10am) Thursday, October 31st, 2013

Thanks, Omar. I notified the facility last week and will pass on the conference line number whenever you send it to me.

From: Martinez, Omar [mailto:Martinez.Omar@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 9:19 AM

To: Young, Hillary

Cc: Tahmassebi, Saba; Dellinger, Philip; Johnson, Ken-E; McKenzie, Susie; Martinez, Omar

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Tahmassebi, Saba <Saba.Tahmassebi@deg.ok.gov>

Sent:

Thursday, July 25, 2013 11:02 AM

To:

Dellinger, Philip; hillery.young@deq.ok.gov

Cc:

t.baker@occemail.com; c.lord@occemail.com; Johnson, Ken-E; Dorsey, Nancy; Martinez,

Omar; Grafton, Martha E.

Subject:

RE: Midway letter

Hi Phil,

Thank you so much for your efforts. Once we have had a chance to review the letter, we will contact you to discuss further.

----Original Message----

From: Dellinger, Philip [mailto:dellinger.philip@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2013 10:37 AM

To: Tahmassebi, Saba; hillery.young@deq.ok.gov

Cc: t.baker@occemail.com; c.lord@occemail.com; Johnson, Ken-E; Dorsey, Nancy; Martinez, Omar

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Philip Dellinger, Chief Ground Water/UIC Section EPA Region 6, Dallas, Tx 75202 214-665-8324

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Ray, Lauren

From:

Johnson, Ken-E

Sent:

Wednesday, December 09, 2015 9:34 AM

To:

Ray, Lauren

Subject:

FW: draft 2 Seismic Contingency Comments

From: Dorsey, Nancy

Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2015 2:22 PM

To: hillary.young@deq.ok.gov Cc: Ray, Lauren; Johnson, Ken-E

Subject: FW: draft 2 Seismic Contingency Comments

Hi Hillary,

I have looked at the responses to the seismic contingency NOD and revised Seismicity Contingency Plan and have a few recommendations. Essentially, Midway is still missing the point about not affecting the populace with strong earthquakes, if their well is potentially adding to the number and severity. ODEQ may wish to emphasise the point by requiring Midway to shut-in the well until restarting is permitted by ODEQ in writing. That would perhaps follow discussions with OCC and their handling of wells under their jurisdicion in the area.

Deficiency Sections 3 and 4

I highly recommend dropping the specified magnitude type, or mention of the Richter scale. These are not always synonymous in the sources to be used. OGS and USGS vary the type of magnitude 'M' according to the size of event and other factors. For example, OGS just changed a lot of their reporting, now it varies mostly between ML and MW. I recommend the simple fix of dropping the word 'Richter' and dropping the subscript 'L'. Magnitude would then simply refer to 'Magnitude as reported by OGS or the preferred magnitude reported by the USGS catalog'. Comcat is the current USGS consortium catalog, but they do periodically change them.

Austin Holland, OGS, sent a document to OCC on December 11, 2014 describing how the changes in OGS tracking of magnitude could affect their traffic light system. I recommend talking with both Austin and Charles Lord on their current system and potential changes.

Deficiency Section 4

With respect to the table in the Response to Deficiencies letter, I recommend deleting it for the following reasons:

- The first line is covered by the second, (a 3 mile radius within the 10 mile radius with no other changes).
- There is no indication of how the information will be reported or when (it may be in the main document).
 - O What and how does ODEQ want to see the data?
 - A table listing the events (date, time, magnitude, location (lat, long, depth) and error margins (in all directions—which will vary by source).
 - A plot of cumulative earthquakes (one line or by magnitude groups) versus date and injection (volume or pressure or one with each).
- The distances are not sufficient.
 - OCC uses 10 km/6 miles as the radius of interest.
 - USGS event accuracy is rarely smaller than a mile, OGS event(s) are generally better located, but accuracy is always variable.

OCC is continually revising their system. At the moment, they issue an interim order requiring additional actions in their traffic light system. Their 'yellow'

asks for daily monitoring of 'rate and magnitude' of any seismicity within the radius of interest. (Originally 3 miles, now 6.)

Red Light conditions = well shut-in

- an M3.4 within the radius;
- Weekly background seismicity of greater than M2 within the radius increases by 20% or more above the average based on the formula. Sometimes they have defined the formula between a specific time and a shorter distance—based on discussions with Austin Holland.

20% Increase = <u>Current weekly rate - previous swarm avg daily rate</u>
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Resuming operations after a red light condition is subject to Ddirector authorization, with possible additional restrictions.

FYI, I understand OCC is about to change to a set volume reduction for all wells in the 6 mile radius, in order to resume injection. It is a moving target.

Revised Seismic Contingency Plan

Paragraph two: Suggest changing the phrase 'The majority' in the lead sentence, to something like 'A large cluster'. Earthquake occurrence is a rapidly changing target at this time; there is no clear majority location.

Section 2.2 Paragraph 3. As USGS records (maybe) down to M2 overall, no conclusions can be drawn for anything below that magnitude. It is inaccurate to say that earthquakes below M1.0 are rare, when they are simply not generally recorded by USGS. Lower magnitude is a function of the spacing and number of monitor stations. OGS has greatly increased the number and reduced the spacing of their network in the last few years. Limiting the tracking to M1 and up is acceptable...it does not need justification. Tables 1 and 2 are not needed, unless the OGS data are summarized for Oklahoma.

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Section 3.0. Midway is still missing the point about not affecting the populace with strong earthquakes.

Feel free to call me if you have any questions. Nancy

Nancy S. Dorsey Environmental Scientist Oklahoma Class II Program Manager WQ-SG EPA Region 6 1445 Ross Ave. #1200 Dallas, TX 75202-2733 214-665-2294 FAX 214-665-2191

From:

Martinez, Omar

Sent:

Friday, March 14, 2014 12:38 PM

To:

saba.tahmassebi@deq.ok.gov; hillary.young@deq.ok.gov

Cc:

Dellinger, Philip; Graves, Brian; Overbay, Michael; Johnson, Ken-E; Dorsey, Nancy;

Martinez, Omar

Subject:

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Monday, March 17, 2014 3:32 PM

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Cc:

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Martinez, Omar

Subject:

RE: (Call-In Number) / Midway Conference Call

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The call-in conference line is as follows:

- 1. Dial 1-(866) 299-3188
- 2. When prompted, enter the conference code 2146658485, followed by the # sign
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Our scheduled conference call is Thursday, March 20th from 10:00am to 11:30am. If you have any questions please give me a call or if you have problems connecting to the conference, my cell number is provided below.

Thanks,

Omar T. Martinez Cell: (817) 876-8364

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Friday, March 07, 2014 12:39 PM

To:

Dellinger, Philip

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saba.tahmassebi@deq.ok.gov; Martinez, Omar

Subject:

Tentative Date for Conference Call with ODEQ on Midway

Phil:

I spoke with Hillary this morning (Fri/March 7th) on at time for a conference call to discuss Midway. Saba and her will be available on Thursday, March 20th, from 10:00am to 11:30pm. I do not think we will go longer than one hour, but just in case. Please let me know if this time works for everyone.

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Sent:

Thursday, October 31, 2013 12:14 PM

To:

Johnson, Ken-E

Subject:

RE: EPA presentation from 10-31-13 Midway conference call

Thanks Ken.

From: Johnson, Ken-E [mailto:Johnson.Ken-E@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 12:05 PM

To: Young, Hillary; Tahmassebi, Saba

Cc: Martinez, Omar; McKenzie, Susie; Dellinger, Philip; Graves, Brian **Subject:** EPA presentation from 10-31-13 Midway conference call

Saba -

Here is the powerpoint file from this morning's conference.

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Attachments:

Review of Midway Injector Falloffs revised.pptx

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RE: ODEQ call on Midway disposal well

Hi Omar,

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What they want to do is to share EPA's reasoning with their consultant (who is a professor at TU) to prepare a response.

Thanks and talk to you tomorrow.

Saba.

Saba Tahmassebi, Ph.D., P.E. Chief Engineer Land Protection Division, DEQ

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Thursday, April 04, 2013 10:32 AM

To:

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Subject:

Stasta 1 Falloff Test Analysis

Attachments:

Stasta 1 Falloff Test ending 2-21-13 sent to Charles Lord 2-26-13.pptx

Charles,

You can release the file containing EPA R6 analysis of the Stasta 1 Falloff Test. The analysis is attached again for your convenience. Please be sure to note the following when forwarding the analysis.

No rate data prior to the test was provided so a 130 bpd injection rate, estimated from previous monthly average reported injection rates, was assumed. Other reservoir parameters used in the analysis were based on available information in the permit documents.

Susie

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Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 10:18 AM

To: 'Charles Lord'; Dorsey, Nancy; Ron Dunkin; Tim Baker

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Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 4:24 PM **To:** Dorsey, Nancy; Ron Dunkin; Tim Baker

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We have not had any experience with this particular recorder. Ken and I looked at the specs and though the transducer is probably satisfactory in terms of data point storage and recording speed, it has some significant limitations in the resolution and accuracy, not making it ideal for a falloff test. The transducer has a maximum recording speed of 1 data set every 2 seconds which would be adequate for the falloff duration. By recording at the highest rate of 1800 data points per hour, 43,200 points could be collected during the first 24 hours. After that you could slow the recording speed down to prolong the onboard transducer storage capacity. Remember you're working with a log-log scale for test analysis so you need high speed measurements for the first part of the test and then maybe the unit could be reconfigured for longer periods between test points. Additionally, you'd want to record both the temp and pressure together (allowed by this transducer) so you could see if a temperature glitch created the anomalous pressure data or if there was actually a pressure variation, likely caused externally, such as a valve leak or offset well effect. Pressure anomalies are common, so being able to differentiate is a plus.

The limited accuracy and resolution levels of the transducer mean that it is probably not sensitive enough to measure gradual pressure changes, particularly in the latter stages of the falloff when we're trying to quantify radial flow and fault responses. The calculated values for pressure change resolution and accuracy (based on the link specifications) are shown below for various transducer pressure ranges:

Accuracy: ± 1%

550 psi gauge = 5.5 psi

2300 psi gauge = 23 psi

Resolution: 0.25%

550 psi gauge = 1.38 psi

2300 psi gauge = 5.75 psi

The repeatability appears good, but the overall transducer responsiveness is probably too limited to give a clear response on the log-log plot. You'd likely wind up with a very noisy derivative well before radial flow occurs making analysis of the test questionable. There are more accurate surface transducers available you may want to consider. For example, the SPIDR gauge (http://www.spidr.com) has a resolution of 0.01 psi and an accuracy of <0.01% of full scale and there is a Nan Gall quartz gauge (nangall.com) with similar specs. One contractor uses Micro-smart system (www.micro-smart.com) surface pressure recorder for the Class I falloff test requirement.

Hope this clarifies the gauge requirements. Let us know what you think.

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